Governor Musgrove Awards Grant to Greenwood

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(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has awarded a \$307,500 Economic Development Grant to Greenwood. The funds will be used to renovate the Uniek Building and other property in the area for economic development purposes.

"We gladly support the efforts of communities striving to promote the tremendous resources we have to attract jobs and a higher quality of life for our citizens," said Governor Musgrove.

The funds are administered by the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

"Because strong local communities are the heart of a strong economy, MDA is pleased to support the City of Greenwood's efforts to improve the infrastructure of the city and surrounding areas. The CDBG program enriches this partnership between the state and the communities that are striving to create opportunities for business and industrial development," said Steve Hale, executive director of the MDA.

Since Musgrove took office in 2000, there have been 118 CDBG Economic Development grant's awarded for a total of \$60,740,133.

CDBG is a program of the Community Services Division of the Mississippi Development Authority. Among the division's goals are assisting communities in analyzing their strengths and weaknesses, involving their leadership in economic development, planning development strategies, strengthening development organizations, and implementing and financing community projects. The Community Services Division also administers other Economic Development grant and loan programs.